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May 31, 2001

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT  
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Mr. Dale Snyder  
Absolute Mining and Minerals Inc.  
145 South 1350 East  
Lehi, Utah 84043

Re: Adjustment of Permit Boundary and Identification of Areas to be Reclaimed as Resolution of Noncompliance, Absolute Mining and Minerals, Inc. (AMMI), Dolores River Placer Operation, S/019/035 (UTU-72488), Grand County, Utah

Dear Mr. Snyder:

Thank you for your letter dated May 15, 2001 responding to our proposed adjustment of the small mine operation permit boundary and identification of areas to be reclaimed and their respective reclamation tasks.

Based on your letter, we understand that AMMI is in agreement with:


- (1) The new permit boundary and associated disturbed area of 4.98 acres (including the access road).
- (2) The description of the currently disturbed pad area (0.92 acres) and hill area (0.71 acres) and their reclamation treatments.
- (3) Completion of the reclamation of the pad and hill area by the end of this coming fall 2001.
- (4) Limiting active operations to areas that are within the new permit boundary.

Another matter to be resolved is the disposition of the access road to the mine site. The Division has received a response letter from the Grand County Road Department stating that the County does claim the road in the NE ¼ of Section 11, T23S, R24E, SLB&M, as a County Road (copy attached). Since reclamation of this road was included as part of the original BLM Plan of Operations, the final disposition and reclamation responsibility will require BLM involvement to resolve.

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In our meeting on May 2, 2001, we discussed completing the reclamation at the site by a tentative date of **October 30, 2001**. This date for completion of reclamation is acceptable to the Division, and the BLM as well. AMMI's proposed consolidation of equipment from areas to be reclaimed to an alternate area within the new permit boundary during June or July, is also acceptable to the Division.

Sincerely,



D. Wayne Hedberg  
Permit Supervisor  
Minerals Reclamation Program

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Attachment: Grand County 5/7/01 letter

cc: Trace Barney, Wardley  
Lyn Kimball, AMMI  
Brent Northrup, BLM Moab FO  
Mary Ann Wright, DOGM  
Tony Gallegos, DOGM

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Dave Warner  
Supervisor



Dave Vaughn  
Assistant  
Supervisor

**Grand County Road Department**  
**125 East Center Street, Moab, Utah 84532, 435-259-5308**

May 7, 2001

Mr. Anthony A. Gallegos  
State of Utah  
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Re: Mine Site Access Road, Absolute Mining and Minerals, Inc., Dolores River Placer Mine,  
M/019/035 (UTU-72488), Grand County, Utah

Dear Mr. Gallegos:

This letter is to confirm that Grand County, Utah does claim as a County Road that portion of road approximately 1620 feet in length, in the NE 1/4 Section 11, T23S, R24E, SLB&M, from the locked gate to the mine site, that you referred to in your letter to me dated April 27, 2001.

Sincerely,

  
Dave Warner

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